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How would it do to advertise for a candidate for Mayor on the Republican ticket?

The Ewing men are in favor of PARKER for Mayor. The Parker men are unanimous in support of EWING.

CLEVELAND takes his breakfast at 8 and reaches his desk at 9 to begin a day's work. This example will probably spread.

In answer to the bid of the St. Louis Gas Company offering to furnish gas at \$1.75, the Water Gas Company has put in a bid of \$1.30. This does not seem to be bottom prices.

The only trouble in the local Democratic camp is that there are too many aspirants for the mayoralty. The only trouble in the Republican camp is that the aspirants don't aspire.

Mr. PARKER's partners had the kindness to make known the fact that they would prevent his running for Mayor they would have done a kindness to Mr. PARKER and to the public.

The last act of the outgoing Secretary of the Interior was to sanction a fraudulent land grant. The first act of the new Secretary was to place a Union soldier at the head of the Pension Bureau.

KORN, POPPER & Co. promise to vindicate the Fund Commissioners, and the Fund Commissioners promise to vindicate KORN, POPPER & Co. But between them Missouri has lost, at the lowest estimate, \$151,033.00.

The gentlemen who undertook to defeat the Democratic candidate for Congress in the Ninth District last fall are having right hard work trying to pension their dilapidated politicians on the Federal Government now.

The change in Washington is already noticeable. There is an absence of elegant trousseaus, ruffled shirt fronts and kid gloves. These have been replaced by the strange and unfamiliar features of plain clothes, common sense and hard work.

The Fund Commissioners demand an investigation, and they certainly should be permitted to explain why they paid KORN, POPPER & Co. some \$300,000 for buying bonds for the State, when they could have bought the same bonds as easily from others as from that firm, and at a lower price.

If the St. Louis Gas Company does not meet the Water Gas Company the city will be compelled to accept the proposition of the latter company, and then a blind man can see what will happen in 1900. The lion and the lamb will lie down together and the St. Louis lamb will be inside the Water Gas lion.

From some personal acquaintance with Mr. FAIRBANKS, the new Assistant Secretary of the Interior, we feel warranted in asserting that in his department the clerks will begin work before 11 o'clock and will finish considerably after. There will be no less style about the office, but there will be considerably more business transacted.

We do not advise the Legislature to work for mere popularity, but when it can be at once popular and render a public service—as it can do by passing the militia bill—it ought to do it. The sentiment outside of the Legislature is wholly in favor of the bill, and the action inside of the Legislature should be guided accordingly.

Now, that the campaign is over, and the Republican party has no further use for him, NEAL DOW has again renounced and denounced it as insincere in its professions of sympathy with the Prohibition movement. As usual, he will remain a straight out Prohibitionist until another bargain can be struck for his services in rallying Prohibitionists to the Republican standard.

A pleasant anecdote of the St. Louis authorities is told to this effect: When, last week, Dr. OLIVER WENDELL HOLMES was introduced to Miss MURPHY at the Atlantic Monthly dinner, he exclaimed: "I will not believe this is CRADDOCK! I expected to see a stalwart fellow, ever so tall and ever so big. Why, my dear young lady, where do you carry your surplus?" "Under my tongue," was the prompt reply.

The citizens of St. Louis who have grown tired of the shuffling and "chasing" of EWING and PARKER and of PARKER and EWING, of the "wing corners" and "change your partners" movements, attended with such grace and dexterity in the beautiful terpsichorean art of politics as performed by those gentlemen, will be glad to accept both of their resignations. The Republican ticket is left without a head, but as the Republican party has not had any brains of late there is no loss. There is plenty of good material for a Mr. "Wing" candidate, and the withdrawal of the two "wing" candidates creates a splendid opportunity for an independent.

pendent movement with Republican support, for the first place on the ticket. This is the only chance of the Republicans. The weakest Democrat who can be nominated will be elected if his opponent represents any part of the faction fight of the Montagu and Capulet Committee. A strong independent candidate with Republican support can beat any man who has yet been named on the Democratic side.

The Republicans—which is nothing if not original—puts a notice of CHARLES ROBERT CRADDOCK as a tall-piece to its fashion column; supplementing an elaborate disquisition on spring bonnets with a patronizing mention of the newest light in American literature. The wonder is that it was not added as a postscript to the sporting notes of our most astonishing contemporary.

THE POST-DISPATCH being a peace-maker by profession as well as practice, hastens to thrust the olive-branch between its contending, but religious, contemporary, the Globe-Democrat, and Rev. Dr. BOYD. If the savage attack of the former is met in a similar belligerent spirit, the result will be truly lamentable. We beg the representative of unsanctified journalism and the clerical champion of anti-Darwinism to hold their hands in this unholy quarrel, and each allow the other to wag his unpleasant peculiarities in peace.

PRESIDENT CLEVELAND has instructed his private secretary to send all applicants for office to the heads of the several departments, and deny them admission to the presidential presence. This shrewd and sensible order will not only put the responsibility of appointments where it unquestionably belongs, but will save the Executive the intolerable worry and waste of time the old method involved. We are afraid, however, the President is preparing to make himself very unpopular with the "What-are-we-here-for?" class of patriots.

POSTMASTER GENERAL VILAS, it is said, insisted upon having a Justice of the Supreme Court to administer the oath of office, instead of the venerable clerk who has performed that service for forty years. He also insisted upon kissing his wife with great emphasis, immediately after the ceremony. It is to be hoped that Mr. and Mrs. VILAS are now happy, and that the former will at once proceed to nullify the unfavorable opinions of his sense and taste naturally generated by such a ridiculous inaugural exhibition of vanity and conjugal affection.

MR. JAY GOULD is universally admitted to be one of the smartest railroad men in the country, but it is hard to understand why Mr. GOULD cannot get along better with his men. The Pennsylvania Road seems to get along without trouble, the Baltimore and Ohio is not threatened with strikes; even Mr. VANDERBILT of the New York Central has reduced his dividends from 7 per cent to 4 per cent without reducing wages to the striking point. As GOULD owns the Missouri Pacific stock, he cannot profit by any movement in that security, and altogether his recent policy is inexplicable. Any further extension of the strike would be in every way regrettable, and a harmonious settlement of differences is desired on all hands.

The only ex-Confederate soldier in the new Cabinet is LAMAR, who was detached and sent to Russia on a diplomatic mission before he had served two years. To offset him there is a Union soldier in the present Cabinet, which is one more than there was in the Cabinet of the late Republican Administration. Ex-Confederates have held office under every Republican Administration since GRANT's election. Mr. HAYES had one in his Cabinet. The Democratic Union soldiers who had to stand out in the cold while Confederates like LONGSTREET, MOSEY, MAHONEY and KEY were taken in and fed by Republican Administrations, are on top now, and that is what will give the Republicans more than the spectacle of ex-Confederates in office. LAMAR's first official act was to put at the head of the Pension Bureau a Union soldier who served from the beginning to the end of the war, and who got so much lead in him that Congress voted him a special pension of \$100 a month for his services and his distinguished services. It was this appointment that brought from the Blaine organs the howl of "Three Confederate Brigadiers and only one Union soldier in the Cabinet." If LAMAR does not stop appointing Democratic Union soldiers, those same organs will soon be counting EVERTS and WHITNEY, as well as BATTARD and GARLAND, as Confederate Brigadiers.

The defense of the Fund Commissioners, as foreboded by themselves, is the old and threadbare pretext which jobbers have always used for interposing a broker's syndicate and a margin of speculation between the State as a buyer or seller of bonds and the competitive offerings of the open market. It is the gratuitous and false assumption that buyers of bonds will pay more for them to a broker than to the State which issues them, and that bond-sellers will sell cheaper to a broker buying in a retail way than to a wholesale buyer. We are told that the Stock Exchange quotations of actual sales of a State's bonds are no criterion of their market value; that, while many of them may be sold much lower, the highest quotation in open market is always below their real value, or the average price at which any considerable amount can be purchased. Therefore, to get bonds cheap, the State's agents must not take them in the open market where they are selling so cheap, nor let bondholders know the price at which she is willing to take them, but must secretly contract with a broker to take them from him at a price much above the highest quotations. As a business proposition this is absurd on its face, and the public will be slow to believe that the people who sold the bonds to KORN, POPPER & Co., would not have sold them as cheap to the State of Missouri, thereby saving to her tax-payers the \$300,000 which some body has made out of this bond deal.

King Louis' Love.

From "Society in Vienna."

King Louis was wildly in love. With whom I will not say. One day as he was bringing to his lady, just as common, unceremonious, and as magnificent as he happened to be, he found himself alone. Immediately he began to arrange the flowers in a vase. Having finished this delicate operation, he started to leave, but just then he saw a young man. So coming home he found a certain lady in order to enjoy the surprise and delight, as he thought, of the young lady at the sight of the flowers brought to her by her royal admirer. Well, she came into the room, but she did not come with her "Heavens, not alone," "My dear, a bouquet from that man!" she exclaimed, "I don't know it!" Then, turning to her friend, she invited him to kiss away the annoying impression. The invitation was vigorously accepted, and his concealed Majesty, although half allied with the tears in his eyes, managed to crawl under the bed. He was cured the unforgotten one, and swore that he would never again love and never marry. He kept his oath; and since that time, if the unfortunate sovereign has lived in, in solitude and has become the dreamer that he is known to be, it is because he has long been convinced that realities can sometimes give as much happiness as realities, and that they are less liable to be deceptive.

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We expect the People of St. Louis and Vicinity are heartily sick of seeing in the papers, week after week, the same old, stale rehash about Bargains and Bankruptcies, and will therefore hail, to-day, as **REAL REFRESHING**

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**WHICH GIVES ASSURANCE**

**FIRST-** That nearly One Million Dollars' worth of New Importations and Purchases will be spread before the people;

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**FOURTH-** That the Old House is **DETERMINED TO KEEP IN THE VAN**, without bluster or falsification, and,

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